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SUBJECT: BONN GROUP PRESS LINE ON ALLIED ORAL STATEMENT
TO SOVIETS ON POTENTIAL BERLIN ACCESS PROBLEM

REF: MOSCOW 1399

1. OBVIOUSLY WELL-INFORMED, FULL ACCOUNT OF ALLIED DEMARCHE TO SOVIETS JAN 29 ON POTENTIAL BERLIN ACCESS PROBLEM APPEARED IN FEB 2 FRANKFURTER ALLGEMEINE ZEITUNG. ALLIED AND FRG REPS HAVE EITHER ALREADY HAD OR EXPECT SOON QUESTIONS FROM THE PRESS ON THE STORY, AND THE BONN GROUP FEBRUARY 4 AGREED AD REFERENDUM TO CAPITALS THE FOLLOWING PRESS LINE.

2. ON THE RECORD:

(A) WE CONFIRM THAT THE THREE WESTERN EMBASSIES IN
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MOSCOW WERE IN TOUCH WITH THE SOVIET AUTHORITIES ON 29

JAN TO REMIND THEM OF THE PROVISION OF THE QA RELATING TO THE TRANSIT ROUTES.

(B) SIMILAR ACTION HAS BEEN TAKEN WITH THE SOVIET EMBASSY IN (WASHINGTON).

(C) WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE (FRENCH) AND (BRITISH) WERE ALSO IN TOUCH WITH THE SOVIET EMBASSIES IN (PARIS) AND (LONDON). THERE A REMINDER OF THE PROVISIONS OF THE QA.

3. ON BACKGROUND:

THE BACKGROUND TO THIS IS THAT THE COMMENTS EMANATING FROM THE GDR AND EVEN TO SOME EXTENT FROM MOSCOW IN CONNECTION WITH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT'S DECISION ON 23 JAN TO PROCEED WITH THE SETTING UP OF THE FEA IN THE WESTERN SECTORS OF BERLIN SEEMED TO MAKE DESIRABLE A REMINDER IN MOSCOW ABOUT THE WAY IN WHICH THE RIGHTS OF ACCESS WERE SPELLED OUT IN THE QA. THIS REMINDER ALSO TURNED OUT TO BE TIMELY.
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